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## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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## Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, \$5,000,000 Dollars. Reserve Fund, 500,000 Dollars.

## Count of Directors.

Chairman—H. HOPKINS, Esq.  
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## Chief Managers.

Hongkong, . . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager.  
Shanghai, . . . EYEN CAMERON, Esq. London Bankers.—London and County Bank.

## HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED  
ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.  
On Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.  
CAPITAL, £800,000.  
RESERVE FUND, £110,000.

## BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND, THE CITY BANK, THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.  
Local bills discounted, and interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM CARL ENGELBRECHT von PUTZAU, Junior, and Mr. CONRAD MUNKOE DONNER, have been admitted Partners in our Firm from the First of January, 1877.  
WM. PUTZAU & Co., Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai, Hongkong, April 18, 1877. j16

### NOTICE.

FROM This Date Mr. EDWARD SHEPPARD and Mr. M. W. GARRIE, are authorized to sign the name of our Firm for Procurement at Foochow, and Mr. F. F. ELWELL at Amoy.  
RUSSELL & Co. China, June 1, 1877. del

### NOTICE.

MR. F. C. DITTMER is authorized to sign our Firm for Procurement.  
SANDER & Co. Hongkong, June 23, 1877.

### NOTICE.

MR. EDWARD BURNETT will Conduct the Business of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony.  
R. H. CAIRNS, Surveyor to Local Office, and Lloyd's Register of Shipping, 2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, March 17, 1877. m19

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

THE Underigned has been Appointed AGENT at this Port for THE POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).  
W. H. NOTLEY, Hongkong, June 6, 1877.

### NOTICE.

BY Mutual Consent, the Firm of FREEBORN, RODATZ & Co. has been DISSOLVED on this Day.  
R. FREEBORN, G. C. F. RODATZ, Hongkong, June 30, 1877.

THE Underigned, Establishing themselves This Day as SHIPHANDLERS and GENERAL STOREKEEPERS under the Style and Firm of RODATZ & Co., have taken over the Business of the late Firm of FREEBORN, RODATZ & Co.  
G. C. F. RODATZ, C. KOHL, Hongkong, July 2, 1877. au2

### NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as SHIPBROKER.  
ROBERT DROSS, Hongkong, June 25, 1877. j19

## Auctions.

### GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

### FRIDAY,

the 6th July, 1877, at Noon,—  
ALBUMS, Pocket Books, Purses, Portfolios, Travelling Desks, Cotton Socks, Stockings, Butcher's Knives, Tooth Brushes, Silk Umbrellas, Whips, Plated Salvers, Tea Sets, Butter Dishes, Cologne Water, and Perfumery.  
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12 Clocks.  
50 Long Enfield Rifles.  
100 Short do. do.  
100 Cavalry Carbines.  
100 Navy Pistols.  
25 bags White California Beans.  
22 coils Manila Rope.  
2 Hawser.  
2 bales Hemp.  
1 bale China Medicine.  
14 casks Porter.  
1 Large Copper Lamp.  
1 lot Eley's Cartridges.  
1 box Silk.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.  
—Hongkong, July 3, 1877. j16

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions from W. H. Mossor, Esq., Marshal of the Vice-Admiralty Court of Hongkong, to sell by Public Auction, on

### MONDAY,

the 9th day of July, 1877, at Noon, on Board,—  
The American Barkentine "ROSINA,"

Of 406 Tons Register or thereabouts, as she now lies in the Harbour of Hongkong, with Two Suits of Working SAILS, One Suit NEW SAILS, 1,500 superficial feet LUMBER, PROVISIONS, OILS, ANCHORS, BOATS, and all her Appurtenances.  
The Vessel was Remetalled and Repaired in New York, in December, 1874, and there classed "A1," for Four Years in American Lloyd's. She was again Remetalled and Repaired at Melbourne, in November, 1876, at a Cost of about \$1,000, and supplied with the New Suit of Sails referred to at a Cost of over \$200, and was then certified by the Surveyor to the Merchant Shipping and Underwriters Association Limited, as being fit to Carry Dry and Perishable Cargo to any part of the World. She Carries 380 tons of Coals or 800 tons Light Cargo of 40 cubic feet, 9,000 piculs of Rice on 14 feet Draught. She is a fast Sailing Vessel, and is in Complete Order for Sea on the shortest notice.  
She has Four BOW TIMBER PORTS, two in the Lower Hold 32 x 32 inches, and two in the Tween Decks 40 x 28 inches.  
For further Particulars and Inventory, apply to the Underigned.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the hammer in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.  
The Vessel to be at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Government Auctioneer, Hongkong, June 18, 1877. j19

## Auctions.

### SPANISH CONSULATE.

TO be SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Office of the Marine Department, Manila, on the 6th day of September next, at 10 o'clock A.M., the Spanish War Vessels "BERENGUELA" and "CIROE" (declared by the Government "useless for further service").  
Conditions of Sale, Inventory, Form of Tender, and all other Particulars respecting the above, can be obtained at the Office of this Consulate.  
The upset Prices of the Vessels will be for the  
Frigate "BERENGUELA" \$20,928.93  
Corvette "CIROE" \$5,278.87  
and no offer will be received which does not exceed these amounts.  
A. FARAUDO, Consul for Spain. Hongkong, June 12, 1877. j12

## For Sale.

AERATED WATERS, IN  
ODD'S PATENT GLASS STOPPERED BOTTLES.  
FROM the 1st July, the Price of all kinds of AERATED WATERS will be only  
FORTY CENTS Per Dozen.  
SARSAPARILLA WATER, 75 Cents per Dozen.  
ED. CHASTEL, 2, Wyndham Street, opposite the Hongkong Club. Hongkong, June 30, 1877. j130

## FOR SALE.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s Celebrated Brands of WINES and SPIRITS. Apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

## FOR SALE.

A POLLINARIS WATER, in Cases of 50 Large Stone Bottles, \$9 per Case. WIELER & Co. Hongkong, July 4, 1877. j11

## FOR SALE.

HENRIOT & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Carte Blanche "Dry," TH. ROEDERER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Carte Blanche.  
JOHN DURAND & Co.'s CLARETS and WHITE WINES.  
STARTUP & KENTON'S PORTS and SHERRIES.  
MOULTON & Co.'s COGNAC, 1, 2, 3 Stars.  
BLANCHY FRERES & Co.'s COGNAC.  
JUSTUS LEMBKE & Co. Hongkong, April 9, 1877. j19

## NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tubingen.  
Price: Two Dollars and a Half.  
To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALKER, Shanghai.  
Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

## Intimations.

SEALED TENDERS will be Received by the Underigned until Noon on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant, for Building A FIRE ENGINE HOUSE, at H. M. NAVAL YARD.  
Plan and Specification may be seen and further information obtained on Application.  
JOHN BRENNER, Naval Storekeeper. Hongkong, July 2, 1877. j14

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.  
NOTICE.  
THE POST OF SECRETARY will become Vacant on 1st August next. Applications, addressed to the CHAIRMAN, will be Received up to Noon of the 21st July, prox. Salary, \$1,500 per Annum. Hongkong, June 25, 1877.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.  
ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1876.  
SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are requested to Furnish the Underigned with a List of their Contribution for the Year ending 31st December, 1876, in order that the distribution of the Net Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st August next, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, May 1, 1877. m1

## Intimations.

PIANOS, Etc.  
TUNED AND REPAIRED, BY  
A. HAHN, Care of Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, June 8, 1877. j18

## W. BALL.

CHINA DISPENSARY, IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.  
Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.  
PRAYA WEST HONGKONG, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

## NOTICE.

THE Underigned regret to inform their Customers, that in consequence of the VERY GREAT ADVANCE in the PRICE OF FLOUR, they will be compelled to RAISE the Price of their FINEST QUALITY BREAD One Cent per Pound, Commencing from the 1st July, 1877.  
HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY Co., LIMITED.  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., General Managers. DORABEE NOWROJEE. Hongkong, June 21, 1877. j121

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.  
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
THE Twenty-second Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Office of the Company, No. 50 A, Queen's Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 25th July instant, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.  
By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary. Hongkong, July 3, 1877. j125

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.  
NOTICE.  
THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 25th day of July instant, both days included.  
By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary. Hongkong, July 3, 1877. j125

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.  
NOTICE.  
THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 28th Instant, both days inclusive.  
A. NEWTON, Manager. Hongkong, July 2, 1877. j129

## NOTICE.

MRS. G. B. FALCONER, Widow and Administratrix of the late G. B. FALCONER (sole and only Partner of the Firm of GEORGE FALCONER & Co., Watch Manufacturers, Jewellers, &c., &c., Hongkong), and Mr. MATTHEW FALCONER, Brother of the Deceased, beg respectfully to intimate that they have agreed to CONTINUE the BUSINESS so long carried on by the late Mr. FALCONER.  
In making this announcement, they have pleasure in stating that they have made such arrangements that the efficiency and high reputation formerly enjoyed by the Firm, will be maintained in its entirety in all its branches.  
The Stock, as hitherto, will consist of EVERY ARTICLE of the BEST QUALITY and WORKMANSHIP, and they hope to be favoured with a continuance of that patronage which was so liberally extended to the late Mr. FALCONER, and, in soliciting such, no efforts will be wanting to inspire that confidence on the part of their Customers which was so marked a feature in the Business as formerly conducted.  
The Business will be carried on in the old Premises under the same Name and Style as hitherto, viz.,  
GEORGE FALCONER & Co. Hongkong, July 2, 1877. au2

KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co., COAL MERCHANTS, Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr. ARYON has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 87, Praya, or to Mr. FAT JACK, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate attention.  
Hongkong, March 19, 1877. m19

## Intimations.

AFONG, PHOTOGRAPHER, by appointment, to  
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, Governor of Hongkong; and to  
H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.  
Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB.  
HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes. Ex. S. B. Radnorshire a supply of very handsome Easel Albums of Russia and Velvet Covers, assorted sizes. Illuminated Albums for Portraits. Tobacco Pouches, in Shape of Skulls, Rats, &c., and a nice choice of Gilt Mountings for Frames, &c.  
Hongkong, March 28, 1877.

## AE YON.

SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE, No. 57, Praya West.  
SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS and OILMAN'S STORES.  
Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

## DENTAL NOTICE.

ON and after the 28th of May, Dr. STOUT'S Consulting and Operating ROOMS will be on the Ground Floor of the HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS, Hongkong, May 26, 1877.

## DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has Returned to Hongkong, and will be ready to Receive Patients on MONDAY, June 25th. Office, No. 7, Arbuthnot Road. Hongkong, June 20, 1877.

THE UNION MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.  
THE Underigned having been Appointed AGENTS of the above Company at HONGKONG and FOOCHOW, are prepared to accept Risks and Issue Policies by any First-Class Steamers, at current rates, Payable either here, in London, in Liverpool, or at the principal Ports of India and the East.  
BIRLEY & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 21, 1877. au22

## NOTICE.

CAPTAIN G. WELNER has resigned the Command of the British Steamer "WM. CORES DE VRIES," now in this Harbour, and we beg to give notice that the Owners or the AGENTS of the said Steamer will not be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by her Officers or Crew on Board.  
FOOK MOW LOONG & Co., Agents, "Wm. Cores de Vries." Hongkong, July 3, 1877. j110

A THOROUGH CORRESPONDENT and ARITHMETICIAN Desires an ENGAGEMENT.  
"Actively," care of this Office. Hongkong, May 26, 1877.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG. The British Steamer "THALES," Capt. COLLE, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY Next, the 7th Instant, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to  
AE YON, Praya West. Hongkong, July 4, 1877. j17

### NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.  
The Company's Steamship "TANAI," Comdt. DELA MARCELLE, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.  
H. DU POUEY, Agent. Hongkong, July 2, 1877.

### NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.  
The Company's Steamship "PEI HO," Comdt. LECOSTRE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.  
H. DU POUEY, Agent. Hongkong, July 2, 1877.

### NOTICE.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER. The 3/4 L.I. American Bark "ERED. P. LITFIELD," SPALDING, Master. Apply to  
MEYER & Co., Agents. Hongkong, July 3, 1877. j119

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "YESSO," Capt. S. ASHTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 10th Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co. Hongkong, July 4, 1877. j110

FOR WLADIWOSTOCK AND NICOLAJEFSEK. The German Steamship "ATLANTA," PETERSEN, Master, shortly expected from SINGAPORE, will have immediate despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, June 25, 1877.

## Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK. The A.I. British Ship "HANNAN LAW," ROBERT GRIFF, Master, will load here, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to  
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, June 2, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A.I. American Ship "MATCHELESS," J. C. DAWES, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to  
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, June 28, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A.I. American Ship "HIGHLANDER," HUTCHINSON, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to  
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, June 28, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A.I. American Ship "THOMAS LORD," SHAL, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to  
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, April 26, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The A.I. British Bark "ROBERT HENDERSON," GURRY, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to  
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, June 11, 1877.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A.I. British Clipper Ship "GYFF," T. ROBERTS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to  
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, June 2, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The A.I. British Bark "STANFIELD," having the greater portion of her Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, June 20, 1877. j120

FOR NEW YORK. The A.I. American Schooner "PANOLA," LUNT, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have early despatch. For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, June 23, 1877. j123

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A.I. British Bark "FORMOSA," P. HYLAND, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have early despatch. For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, June 14, 1877. j114

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER. The 3/4 L.I. American Bark "ERED. P. LITFIELD," SPALDING, Master. Apply to  
MEYER & Co., Agents. Hongkong, July 3, 1877. j119



## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

The Turks remained on the defensive occupying the headquarters of the Russian army crossed the Danube at Kalafatsa recommended the siege of Silistria, which capitulated on 30th June, took up a position to the north of Shumla, and occupied Pravadi and Varna.

On 11th June the Turks were defeated near Shumla; a month later the Russians crossed the Balks, were defeated near Shumla; a month later the Russians crossed the Balkan, taking the road by Pravadi and Koprakoi. The left wing seized Mieswri and Buzurgak, and opened communication with the fleet, the right wing reached Aidos on 26th July.

On 28th July an action was fought at Jamboli, and on 12th August at Silivra, both ending unfavourably for the Turks.

On the 20th August the Russians occupied Adrianople.

The European powers then intervened, and peace was signed on 14th September, 1829.

WE have received through a private source one or two items of intelligence from Peking which may probably throw some light upon the Shanghai telegram.

published below, stating that the Chinese Government has formally consented to open fresh negotiations for an arrangement of the Ikin question with all the Treaty

**Powers on more liberal terms than those of the Chefoo Convention. Our correspondent says that reports have been lately rife in the Capital of unsatisfactory**

relations between the German Minister and the Chinese Government. So unsatisfactory had, indeed, the relations between them become, that the German

Minister actually made preparations for his departure, and would have left had not despatches been received at the moment from the Tsung-li Yamen, doubt-

less containing sufficient concessions to induce Mr von Brandt to alter his mind. Since then, however, affairs have not gone on very smoothly between the par-

ties, and both Mr Brandt and his Secretary, Mr Arendt, left the Capital on the 19th June for Tientsin. "The German Minister has been for some time," adds

our correspondent, "negotiating with the Tsung-li Yamen for some modifications of the Treaty, and, the Chinese being unwilling to accede to Mr Brandt's pro-

posals, the present ruffled relations between the parties are the result." There is every reason to conclude from the foregoing that the concessions

on the part of the Chinese Government now announced by telegraph are mainly due to the action of the German Minister. *Palmam qui meruit ferat.* Our corre-

spontent further adds that the hot season had commenced in earnest, and they had already had some exceedingly sultry days, the thermometer having reached

100° in the shade. Most of the residents had left for the temples in the mountains, but some were making trips to Tientsin for a change of air. The

missionaries, especially, were recruiting their health in this way, "and some of these gentlemen," adds our correspondent, "do a stroke of business at the same time. Recently one of the

the same time. Recently one of them was caught in the act of smuggling a considerable quantity of samshu." Our correspondent is very naturally "at a loss to understand the connection be-

loss to understand the connection between this sort of business and the propagation of the Gospel," and adding that "mercantile transactions are not altogether common in missionary circles!"

It is only fair to the missionaries to add that there are "black sheep" even among the shepherds, and that, as Chinese heathens are notoriously given to crime,

Boatmen are notoriously given to smuggling, a European may be a passenger in a boat containing smuggled articles, and be totally ignorant of their presence.

Two or three words to explain the telegrams published in another column. Briela, where the Russian advanced guard is said to have been driven back in

town about twenty miles to the south east of Sistova, the place to which the Russian head-quarters are now removed. The engagement shows that the Russian

The engagement shows that the Russians are gradually pushing their way down from Sistova, where they crossed the Danube, towards the Balkan mountains and the Turkish capital. There is some

thing rather ominous in the announcement that the British fleet have sailed under sealed orders. One thing is certain, that the British fleet cannot sail

far in the Mediterranean without anyone who feels particularly interested in their movements becoming acquainted with their whereabouts. We append some notes

on the Russian campaigns in European Turkey in 1828-29, which will doubtless be interesting at the present moment:—

the Pruthi in three columns on 7th May 1828,—one column moved by Jassy and Bucharest on Silistria, a second besieged Braila, while the third (80,000 men) crossed

The Turkish army numbered about 180,000 men, of whom one-third were cavalry; of this force only about 50,000 men were

available for field operations, the remainder being required for the Danube fortresses, the Bosphorus, Asia Minor, &c.

Braila surrendered on 18th June owing to want of ammunition and provisions; the Russian centre crossed the Danube and

marched into the Dobrudscha. Varna was then invested, while the bulk of the force proceeded against Shumla. Varna, after driving off the Russians by an energetic sortie, and repulsing two assaults, capitulated.

Shumla was never regularly invested, and on 27th August the Turks made a successful sortie.

In 1829 Austria placed a corps of observation of 80,000 men on her south-east

18 | **Frontier**



TEMPERATURE.

Taken at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Premises,  
Queen's Road.

Hoxton, July 5, 1877.

BAROMETRER—	9 A.M. ....	28.860
Do.	1 P.M. ....	28.840
Do.	4 P.M. ....	28.810
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M. ....	87°
Do.	1 P.M. ....	87 1/2
Do.	4 P.M. ....	88 1/2
Do.	(Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ....	80 1/2
Do.	Do. 1 P.M. ....	80 1/2
Do.	Do. 4 P.M. ....	81 1/2
Do.	Maximum ....	88 1/2
Do.	Minimum over night	85



